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Prairie View Road Extension from Research Parkway to N. Pea Ridge Road

TEMPLE, TX – (*January 22, 2014*) The City of Temple is moving forward with the construction of Prairie View Road between Research Parkway and N. Pea Ridge Road. This new stretch of thoroughfare is an integral component of the City's Transportation Capital Improvement Program (TCIP) and will increase capacity and connectivity in the area.

Phase 1 of the project is scheduled to begin in late January and continue for several months. In preparation for construction, Lightner Lane will be closed to thru traffic between Airport Road and Prairie View Road. Access to the residential area on Lightner Lane will be off Airport Road only. A portion of Prairie View Road from Westfield Boulevard to a point approximately 1,000 to the east will also be closed to thru traffic, with the section beyond that to Lightner Lane completely closed to traffic. Travelers in the area are encouraged to find alternate routes until construction is complete.

Public Works Director, Nicole Torralva, P.E., is excited to see this project get underway. "The work entails the widening of Prairie View Road from N. Pea Ridge Road to Lightner Lane expanding the corridor from a 2-lane to a 4-lane divided roadway that will include curb & gutters along with bike lanes and sidewalks. The extension of Prairie View Road to Research Parkway promises to increase connectivity and expand mobility for residents and commuters in the area, enhancing the community as well as improving safety for everyone who uses it."

See closure map below.

